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Security Council

10:00	6926th meeting [webcast]	Security Council Chamber GA-TSC-01
	1. Adoption of the agenda	
	2. The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question	
Morning[1]	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room GA-TSC-02
	Middle East	
	Other matters	

[1]To be held following the adjournment of the 6926th meeting of the Council.

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

An informal meeting to hold an interactive hearing with civil society on the intergovernmental process on strengthening and enhancing the effective functioning of the human rights treaty body system will take place *today*, 26 February 2013, at 10:00, in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

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General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

Informal informal consultations on the further review of the implementation of the General Assembly resolution 61/16 on strengthening of the Economic and Social Council will be held *today*, 26 February 2013, at 10:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB). A letter from the co-facilitators, dated 15 February 2013, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

An informal meeting on the organization of a special event in 2013 to follow up efforts made towards achieving the Millennium Development Goals will be held on Thursday, 28 February 2013, at 10:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB). A letter from the co-facilitators, dated 22 February 2013, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

An informal meeting of the plenary to define the format and organizational aspects of the high-level political forum on sustainable development will be held on Friday, 1 March 2013, at 15:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

Special Thematic Session on Water and Disasters

A Special Thematic Session on Water and Disasters, organized by Secretary-General and the Secretary-General's Advisory Board on Water and Sanitation (UNSGAB), will take place on Wednesday, 6 March 2013, from 09:30 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB). To consult the concept note and the draft agenda of the event, please *click here*. For further information, please contact Mr. Seiji Ito, UNSGAB (e-mail itos@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8590).

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1988 (2011)

15:00 to 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 7 (NLB)

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10 (NLB)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10 (NLB)

1. Overview of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations
2. Global field support strategy

International Civil Service Commission
Seventy-sixth session

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 1 (NLB)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 1 (NLB)

1. Conditions of service of the General Service and other locally recruited staff: surveys of best prevailing conditions of employment in Paris [item 7] *(continued)*
2. Methodology for the grade equivalency study [item 6 (b)]
3. Review of the common system compensation package [item 5 (a)]

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Thirty-first session

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 6 (NLB)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 6 (NLB)

Economic and Social Council

Statistical Commission
Forty-fourth session

10:30 to 13:00 1st meeting Conference Room 3 (NLB)

1. Election of officers [item 1]
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (E/CN.3/2013/1 and E/CN.3/2013/L.1) [item 2]
3. Items for discussion and decision [item 3]
   (a) Programme review: developing a statistical-spatial framework in national statistical systems (E/CN.3/2013/2)
   (b) Implementation of the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics (E/CN.3/2013/3)

15:00 to 18:00 2nd meeting Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Items for discussion and decision [3]

(b) Implementation of the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics (E/CN.3/2013/3) *(continued)*

(c) National accounts (E/CN.3/2013/4)

(d) Environmental-economic accounting (E/CN.3/2013/5)

(e) Environment statistics (E/CN.3/2013/6)

[The session is PaperSmart. Instead of distributing hardcopies of documents in the conference room, all documentation will be available for downloading electronically through the PaperSmart Portal. Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the portal. In addition, a print-on-demand service will be made available to delegations, with a dedicated desk set up for this in the conference room.

For the list of side events on the occasion of the forty-fourth session of the Statistical Commission, please *click here*.]

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/67/251 and A/67/252. The meetings under this header are closed.*

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General Assembly

Informal briefing on the draft resolution A/67/L.56, entitled "Self determination of French Polynesia" (under agenda item 60) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Solomon Islands)

From 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room D (NLB).

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 26 February 2013

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 7 (NLB)

Latin American and Caribbean Group (monthly meeting)

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Group of Least Developed Countries (at the expert level) (on the ongoing processes related to the sustainable development goals (SDGs) and the post-2015 development agenda)

10:30 to 13:00 Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

Non-Aligned Movement: Committee on Palestine (at the ambassadorial level)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room D (NLB)

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Tuesday, 26 February 2013

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium [webcast]

12:00 Press briefing by the Spokesperson [*Guest:* Mr. John Ging, Operations Director, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) (on his recent visit to Mali)]

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-seventh session

Announcements

The agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/251 (see document A/67/252* for the allocation of items). Annotations can be found in document A/67/100 and A/67/100/Add.1.

The following agenda items remain for consideration during the sixty-seventh session, apart from organizational matters and items that may have to be considered by operation of the rules of procedure of the Assembly: items 9, 11, 13 to 15, 20 (a) and (h), 30, 31, 33 to 37, 39, 40, 42 to 48, 54, 56, 60, 63 (a) and (b), 70 (a) to (c), 74, 94 (b), 106, 107, 110 (a) and (b), 111 (f), (g) and (h), 112 to 117, 118 (a) and (b), 119, 120, 121 (a), (b), (g), (i), (p), (q), (r), (s) and (v), 122, 124 to 126, 128 (a) to (r), 129 to 157, 158 (a) and (b), and 159 to 164.

Please note that there is no predetermined programme of work for formal and informal meetings of the plenary for the resumed part of the session (1 January–16 September 2013). Meetings will be announced in the *Journal* when they are scheduled. For inscription on the list of speakers, please call 1 (212) 963-5063 (room S-3082). A tentative schedule of General Assembly meetings is also available at the following address: www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings/67schedule.shtml.

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3818 (room S-3053). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

First part of the resumed session

The first resumed part of the sixty-seventh session of the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly will begin on Monday, 4 March 2013 in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The status of preparedness of documentation will be issued in document A/C.5/67/L.21.

Information on the work of the Fifth Committee, including the tentative and provisional programme of work, is available on the website of the Committee at the following address: www.un.org/en/ga/fifth/.

Delegations that have not done so are kindly requested to submit any official submissions or changes to the names of their representatives, alternate representatives and advisers, in writing, by note verbales or using form A/INF/67/2, to the Secretary of the Committee (room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Informal briefings

Informal briefings (closed) will be held on Monday, 4 March 2013, in Conference Room 3 (NLB), as follows:

Capital master plan (by Mr. Yukio Takasu, Under-Secretary-General for Management, and Mr. Michael Adlerstein, Assistant Secretary-General/Executive Director, Capital Master Plan); and

Umoja/Enterprise resource planning (by Mr. Yukio Takasu, Under-Secretary-General for Management, and Mr. Ernesto Baca, Assistant Secretary-General, Umoja/ERP).

General Assembly

Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization

The Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization will hold its 271st meeting, to consider and adopt its report, on Wednesday, 27 February 2013, at 10:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

Final United Nations Conference on the Arms Trade Treaty

The Final United Nations Conference on the Arms Trade Treaty will be held from Monday, 18, to Thursday, 28 March 2013, at United Nations Headquarters, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 67/234 of 24 December 2012 (A/RES/67/234).

The Final Conference will be assisted by a Bureau/General Committee comprising two Vice-Presidents from the regional group of the President of the Final Conference (Western European and other States) and three Vice-Presidents from each of the other regional groups. The Secretariat of the United Nations would be grateful if the regional groups which have not done so would communicate the names of their candidates for the Bureau/General Committee to Mr. Kenji Nakano, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (c/o leu@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305), *as soon as possible*.

Delegations are also kindly requested to submit the credentials of representatives and the names of alternate representatives and advisers to delegations *by hand* to Mr. Stadler Trengove or Ms. Tomoko Iwata (Office of Legal Affairs, room S-3604), *by Monday, 11 March 2013*. Delegations wishing to send advance copies of their credentials should do so by fax (1 (212) 963-6430) or by e-mail (trengove@un.org and iwata@un.org). In accordance with rule 3 of the provisional rules of procedures (A/CONF.217/L.1), the credentials shall be issued either by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

For further information on the Conference, delegations are invited to visit the website of the Conference at the following address: www.un.org/disarmament/ATT.

Committee on Contributions

Seventy-third session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-third session at Headquarters from Monday, 3, to Friday, 21 June 2013.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly, *no later than Friday, 17 May 2013*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 64/248. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Seventh session

Liberia configuration

An informal meeting of the Liberia configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Thursday, 28 February 2013, at 10:00, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

Guinea-Bissau configuration

An informal meeting of the Guinea-Bissau configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Friday, 1 March 2013, at 10:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

Economic and Social Council
Organizational session for 2013

The President of the Economic and Social Council, His Excellency Néstor Osorio (Colombia), will convene a plenary meeting of the Council on Thursday, 28 February 2013, at 15:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB), in order to consider outstanding organizational matters before the Council. The annotated agenda for the session is contained in document E/2013/2.

Committee for the United Nations Population Award

The Committee for the United Nations Population Award will hold its 1st meeting (closed) on Friday, 1 March 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room D (NLB).

Commission on the Status of Women

Informal consultations

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Future organization and methods of work of the Commission on the Status of Women", convened by the Vice-Chair, Mr. Filippo Cinti (Italy), will be held on Wednesday, 27 February 2013, from 10:00 to 12:00, in Conference Room E (NLB).

Fifty-seventh session

The fifty-seventh session of the Commission on the Status of Women will be held from Monday, 4, to Friday, 15 March 2013. The opening meeting will take p!ace on Monday, 4 March, at 10:00, in the General Assembly Hall. The provisional annotated agenda and proposed organization of work for the session are contained in documents E/CN.6/2013/1 and E/CN.6/2013/1/Add.1, respectively.

Additional information on the work of the Commission, including the list of side events, can be found on the following website: www.unwomen.org/csw/csw57.

Participation and seating arrangements

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to participate, are requested to inform the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Otto Gustafik, of the composition of their delegations (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org and gustafik@un.org; room S-1291; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Due to the limited number of seats available for observers in Conference Room 2 (NLB), only observer who will communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat, *by Thursday, 28 February 2013*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of the conference room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

List of speakers and general discussion

The list of speakers for the general discussion is open. Requests for inscription on the list of speakers should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and the title of the speaker, to the secretariat of the Commission (Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Delegations are kindly requested to indicate the level of representation when inscribing on the list of speakers. The preliminary list of speakers will be posted on the website of the Commission (www.unwomen.org/csw/csw57), on Thursday, 28 February 2013, in the afternoon.

General discussion of agenda item 3 (Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century") will begin on Monday, 4 March, in the morning, following the ceremonial and organizational part and introductory statements, and will continue on Tuesday, 5 March, in the morning, Wednesday, 6 March, in the morning, and Thursday, 7 March, in the morning (for more details, please consult the organization of work (E/CN.6/2013/1/Add.1)).

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the past practice, statements made by individual delegations should not exceed *five minutes,* and statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*.

Delegations are requested to bring at least 30 copies of statements for distribution to conference services. Delegations are also requested to provide an electronic version of their statement to Ms. Rocio Torres (e-mail rocio.torres@unwomen.org), for posting on the Commission's website (www.unwomen.org/csw/csw57).

High-level round table

The Commission will hold a high-level round table on the priority theme "Elimination and prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls", on Monday, 4 March 2013, at 15:00, in two parallel meetings in Conference Room 2 (NLB) and in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB). Delegations are kindly requested to communicate the name and the level of the government-position of the senior official expected to participate in the high-level round table to the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org; room S-1284; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Participation of non-governmental organizations

Comprehensive information on the participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission has been posted at: www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/csw/NGO.html.

Reports of relevant special procedures of the Human Rights Council brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women

As requested in relevant resolutions, the reports by the relevant special procedures of the Human Rights Council are brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women at its fifty-seventh session and can be accessed by *clicking here*.

Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons
Informal consultations

Open-ended informal consultations, convened by His Excellency Cornel Feruta (Romania), Chair-designate of the second session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, will take place with representatives of the States parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, as indicated below.

Thursday, 7 March 2013, from 10:00 to 12:00, in Conference Room E (NLB): with the Group of Non-Aligned States parties;

Thursday, 7 March 2013, from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room E (NLB): with the Group of Western European and other States parties; and

Friday, 8 March 2013, from 10:00 to 12:00, in Conference Room E (NLB): with the Group of Eastern European States parties.

The consultations are open to all States parties. For further information, please contact Ms. Narcisa Vladulescu, Permanent Mission of Romania (e-mail narcisa.vladulescu@romaniaun.org; tel. 1 (212) 682-3273); or Mr. Michael Spies, Office for Disarmament Affairs (e-mail spiesm@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3472).

Forthcoming other meetings

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Latin American and Caribbean Group: Committee on Regional Groups (at the expert level)

Wednesday, 27 February 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

Wednesday, 27 February 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

Asia-Pacific Group (monthly meeting)

Thursday, 28 February 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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Briefing on "Follow-up to the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development beyond 2014" (General Assembly resolution 65/234 (A/RES/65/234)) (organized by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA))

Wednesday, 27 February 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For further information or background documents, please contact Ms. Petal Thomas, UNFPA (e-mail pthomas@unfpa.org); or Ms. Lily Tong, UNFPA (e-mail tong@unfpa.org).]

Briefing on "The Brazilian experience in production and international cooperation in statistics" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil and by the Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics)

Wednesday, 27 February 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room D (NLB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Paulo Henrique Caruso de Lima, Permanent Mission of Brazil (e-mail caruso@delbrasonu.org; tel. 1 (212) 372-2631).]

Panel discussion on "Making children's voices a reality: Mobilizing States toward ratification of the Third Optional Protocol to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child" (on the occasion of the first anniversary of the signing of the Third Optional Protocol) (co-organized by the International Coalition for the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a Communications Procedure and the Permanent Missions of Chile, Finland, Germany, the Maldives and Thailand)

Thursday, 28 February 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions, United Nations agencies and accredited non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For registration, please contact Ms. Hiba Qaraman (e-mail hiba.qaraman@savethechildren.org). For further information, please contact Ms. María Salamanca, Permanent Mission of Chile (e-mail msalamanca@minrel.gov.cl).]

Briefing on "Preventing the abuse of the non-profit sector for the purposes of terrorist financing" (organized by the Counter-terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED) within the framework of the activities of the Working Group on Tackling the Financing of Terrorism of the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force, in association with the Charity Commission for England and Wales, the Charities Directorate of the Canada Revenue Agency and the Center on Global Counterterrorism Cooperation)

Thursday, 7 March 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, Mr. Gurdip Sangha, CTED (e-mail sangha@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 457-1853); or *click here.*]

Workshop on "Effective negotiation in multilateral conferences" (organized by the UNITAR New York Office)

Monday, 11, and Tuesday, 12 March 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 17:00, at the Permanent Mission of Malaysia (313 East 42nd Street).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For registration, please *click here.* For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org).]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons
Second session
United Nations Office at Geneva

The second session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons will be held from Monday, 22 April, to Friday, 3 May 2013, in the Assembly Hall, at the United Nations Office at Geneva.

The list of speakers for the general debate will be open on Tuesday, 2 April, at 10:00. States parties wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are invited to contact the secretariat of the Preparatory Committee from that date (Mr. Hong Tan, Office for Disarmament Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-7062; room S-3135; fax 1 (917) 367-1767)).

States parties are kindly requested to provide information, *in writing*, as soon as possible, *but no later than Tuesday, 2 April*, indicating the composition of their delegations to the session. The information should be sent to the Secretary of the Preparatory Committee, Mr. Valère Mantels, Office for Disarmament Affairs (Room S-3132, United Nations, New York, NY 10017). To facilitate the preparation and early distribution of the list of participants, it is also kindly requested that the composition of the delegations be made available in electronic format (Microsoft Word or compatible format) by e-mail to Ms. Bertha Ortiz (ortiz1@un.org), as soon as possible, *but no later than Tuesday, 2 April.*

Participants are requested to complete and send the registration form online (available at www.un.org/disarmament/WMD/Nuclear/NPT2015/PrepCom2013) or, alternatively, to complete the registration form annexed to Information Note (annex I), which may be photocopied, and return it, as soon as possible, *but no later than Tuesday, 2 April 2013*, to Ms. Junko Hirakawa, preferably by e-mail (hirakawa@un.org).

Further information for participants, including the submission of pre-session documentation, is contained in the Information Note, and is also available on the website of the second session of the Preparatory Committee (*click here*).

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in room DC2-1142 (unless otherwise indicated), in English (French and Spanish), on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*); or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

United Nations Bibliographic Information System (UNBISnet) (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Today, 26 February 2013; and

Tuesday, 26 March 2013.

Advanced research using subscription databases (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Wednesday, 27 February 2013.

Introduction to United Nations documents

Tuesday, 5 March 2013 *(in English)* (from 10:00 to 12:00);

Wednesday, 20 March 2013 *(in French)* (from 14:00 to 16:00); and

Thursday, 28 March 2013 *(in Spanish)* (from 10:00 to 12:00).

Overview of the Legal Library (from 15:30 to 16:30) (in room M-10004)

Tuesday, 12 March 2013.

Searching the Official Document System (ODS) (from 10:00 to 12:30)

Wednesday, 13 March 2013.

Overview of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library resources and databases (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 14 March 2013.

Introduction to e-Books (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Wednesday, 27 March 2013.

Survey of Conference Services

In accordance with section III, paras. 10-12, of General Assembly resolution 67/237, dated 24 December 2012 (A/RES/67/237), on the pattern of conferences, the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) invites delegations to respond to the online *Survey of Conference Services*. This eSurvey aims to assess client satisfaction. Feedback from delegations will highlight areas for improvement in the quality of the services delivered by DGACM.

The eSurvey is accessible online on the following websites *until Thursday, 28 February 2013*: http://unmeetings.org/limesurvey/index.php/survey/index?sid=969838&lang=en; DGACM www.un.org/Depts/DGACM/; and deleGATE (iSeek portal for Member States) www.un.int/wcm/content/site/portal.

DGACM welcomes questions or comments pertaining to this eSurvey, which can be addressed to dgacm-feedback@un.org. The participation of delegations in this eSurvey is appreciated.

United Nations Regional Course in International Law for Africa: Urgent appeal for voluntary contributions

The Regional Courses in International Law provide high-quality training by leading scholars and practitioners on a broad range of core subjects of international law, as well as specific subjects of particular interest to developing countries in a given region. The Regional Courses provide an important mechanism for expanding the international law training opportunities available to young lawyers from developing countries under the Programme of Assistance given the limited number of participants which can be accommodated in the International Law Fellowship Programme. The Regional Courses also provide an opportunity for the participants to focus on contemporary issues of international law of common concern in the region with a view to promoting greater understanding and cooperation on such issues.

As the Regional Courses are dependent on voluntary contributions, the Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs is urgently seeking contributions from Member States in order to ensure sufficient funding for the Regional Course for Africa, which will take place from Monday, 1 to Friday, 26 April 2013 in Ethiopia. For additional information or inquiries, please contact Ms. Virginia Morris, Principal Legal Officer, Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail morrisv@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6971).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2013:

Second Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (28 May 2013), to elect five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances (*click here* for general information);

Sixth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families (30 May 2013), to elect seven members of the Committee on Migrant Workers (*click here* for general information); and

Twenty-fifth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination will meet (3 June 2013), to elect nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before the meeting*.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for all of the above mentioned meetings, duly signed by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn: Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; room S-1308)). For any clarifications on these elections, please contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292).

Sixth Meeting of States parties to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families

The attention of States parties to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families is drawn to the note verbale, dated 21 December 2012, which was sent to all States Parties. The note verbale informed States parties that the next meeting will be held on Thursday, 30 May 2013, in New York, to elect seven members of the Committee on Migrant Workers whose terms expire on 30 December 2013. States parties are invited to submit their nominations for membership in the Committee to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights in Geneva, *by Thursday, 28 February 2013, at the latest*.

The electronic version of the curriculum vitae of the candidate should be submitted to the secretariat in accordance with the biographical data form. This form, as well as other relevant information, is available upon request from the secretariat of the Committee (e-mail bsmith@ohchr.org). States parties are informed that, to date, only two nominations for the seven positions have been received. For more information, please *click here*.

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 25 February 2013

General Assembly

Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization

270th meeting *Election of officers* [item 2]

The Committee elected Mr. Marcel Van den Bogaard (Netherlands) as Vice-Chair.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Montreal, 17 September 1997

Accession: Botswana (21 February 2013)

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Beijing, 3 December 1999

Accession: Botswana (21 February 2013)

Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization to the Convention on Biological Diversity. Nagoya, 29 October 2010

Accession: Botswana (21 February 2013)

General

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *February 2013* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Comoros
His Excellency Roubani Kaambi

Asia-Pacific States:
Palau
His Excellency Stuart Beck

Eastern European States:
Latvia
His Excellency Normans Penke

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Saint Kitts and Nevis
His Excellency Delano Frank Bart

Western European and other States:
Spain
His Excellency Fernando Arias

Security Council

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